

LOCAL AND STATE ITEMS.

A Grand Vocal and Instrumental Concert under the auspices of the Senior Class of Middlebury College, will be given, Aug. 9, 1866, by the Mendelssohn Quintette Club assisted by Mrs. H. M. Smith of Boston. This Club is composed of some of the most eminent Musicians and nothing need be said in their praise. Mrs. Smith is one of the first vocalists of Boston. She was the Star singer at Burlington Musical Convention. No one who has heard Mrs. Smith or the Club, will wait for an invitation, but esteem it a rare privilege to hear them again.

A game of ball will be played by the Midd. College Base Ball Club, on the Fair Ground, Monday, Aug. 6th. Game to commence at 2 o'clock, P. M. All friends of the game are especially invited to be present.

The people will be pleased to learn that Mr. N. P. Barbour has returned to Middlebury and commenced business at the old stand of W. H. Fox. See his advertisement.

ADDIS & COUNTY GRAMMAR SCHOOL, AND MIDDLEBURY FEMALE SEMINARY.

An arrangement has been effected by which both these institutions will be under the general direction of one man the Rev. N. Z. Graves, who has had a larger experience and a more brilliant success in the management of such institutions as well as in practical teaching than is often realized. Mr. Graves was twenty years at the head of a similar institution in North Carolina and two years at Little Rock Arkansas. We congratulate the Trustees of the Grammar School and Seminary upon their good fortune in securing his services. By reference to our advertising columns it will be observed that the full term of the former commences Sept. 3d and the latter Sept. 5th.

"OLD CHARLEY"—Died at the residence of George C. Chapman, his owner, on Tuesday the 17th ult., of old age, a venerable resident and esteemed acquaintance of ours—Old Charley. We could mention a half dozen residents of town who walk erect on half his number of legs and pay taxes, that would be less missed by the public should they leave us than is the subject of this notice. Who isn't familiar with that gallop of his, as, with Fletcher astride him, he went for the white and the red cow at evening, and took them to the pasture on the Hill in the morning! Who doesn't recall him driven by his mistress or the children of the family drawing the well laden top buggy, patient, gentle and obedient to the slightest wish of the precious freight behind him. From what walk of life in town shan't we miss him. He never ran for office nor away from it, nor did any way that we remember. He did with his might what his legs found to do and did it faithfully, uncomplainingly. He was 31 years of age at his death, was born in the northern part of the State but like all other good horses in Vt. he wasn't easy till he found his way to Addison Co., lived 15 years and more in Bridport most of the time in the family of the Hon. Paris Fletcher, and by him was transferred to that of his Daughter where the last 9 years of his valuable life were spent. He had never had a trick and died after his long and valuable life without a blemish upon his character or his body. "We buried him sadly" on the bank of the Creek whose shores he had so often grazed and whose waters he had watched as they shoot into the rapids just above the Falls—fit emblem of human and horse life. May all of us ever be found in our places doing our work as well and may our departure at last be as sincerely regretted.

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ALLEGED MURDER.—A man named F. C. Gidding, has been for several days on trial at Ludlow, charged with wife poisoning. Gidding's wife died suddenly and suspicious of foul play became so strong that a post mortem examination was held. Her stomach was analyzed by Prof. Seelye of Middlebury College, and it was demonstrated that strichine in considerable quantities had found its way into her system. Giddings is known to have purchased strichine a few days previous to her death. Considerable testimony has been elicited but it is thought that the prisoner will be discharged for lack of conclusive proof. The testimony is conflicting as is usual in such cases.

WEST RUTLAND.—Mr. J. W. Hoffman is rebuilding for Chas. Sheldon, Esq., the residence lately occupied by Mr. Shepard in West Rutland.

Windham County (Brattleboro) claims the succession to Mr. Morrell in Congress and its candidates for nomination are Judge Stockard of Townshend, and Messrs. Harris, Howe and Curtis of Brattleboro. The nominating convention meets at White River Junction, August 7th.

Albert Jenkins, whose examination at East Burke, for killing Reuben Bean two weeks since, resulted in his discharge has been arrested for the same offense, and now awaits trial at St. Johnsbury, before the county court.

Walton's Journal sum up the Conservative Convention at Windsor making it consist of forty nine men, 34 copperheads, 2 republican and 3 boys.

A patent was granted to Calvin J. Weld of West Wardboro, on the 17th, for improvement in machine for fluting wash-boats.

During the showers of Saturday, the lightning executed some very wonderful maneuvres at Springfield, tearing planks from trees, running along the ground and climbing trees, mutilating lead pipes, etc., but none of these freaks were attended with loss of life, we believe.

THE WINDSOR CONVENTION.—The convention held at Windsor last Wednesday, to appoint delegates to the Philadelphia Convention, numbered, according to a special dispatch, *forty six* men, two of whom only were Republicans.

The Rutland people are moving for a Musical Convention to be held at that place next fall.

The University of Vermont has secured an Angell for its President, Mr. Angell is to be inaugurated to-day.

NEW BLOCK IN BRUNSWICK.—A new brick block located near the Howe Scale Company's works is building in Brunswick. The building is to be three stories high, the lower floor of which will be occupied as stores, and the upper stories by a public hall, offices, &c.

List of arrivals at the Bread-Lot Inn, Ripton, for the week ending Saturday, July 28th.

J. H. Viles, Middlebury,
E. H. Thompson, West Cornwall,
H. E. Taylor, " "
H. A. Mosey, " "
N. Farnham, Ripton,
J. T. Hart w. Brian on,
S. G. Noyes, New Haven,
Dr. H. S. Bacon, " "
C. Stowe, Middlebury,
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VIRUS.

The installation of the Rev. Mr. Fiske at Peacham has been postponed until August 22d.

St. Paul's (Episcopal) church of Burlington is soon to have the most expensive organ in the state. It is a present from Hon. D. D. Howard and his brother, John Howard of New York, and former residents of Burlington.

A new Catholic church at Richmond Vt., is to be dedicated next week Wednesday August 8th. Rev. Messrs. J. Clancey of Burlington and P. Cunningham of this place are announced to preach.

EXTRATION OF SENATORIAL THIEFS.—The term of the following seventeen members of the Senate of the United States will expire on the 4th of March, 1847:

Ira Harris of New York, James A. McDougal of California, L. S. Foster of Connecticut, Lyman Trumbull of Illinois, Henry S. Lane of Indiana, J. M. Kirkwood of Iowa, Samuel C. Pomeroy of Kansas, Garrett Davis of Kentucky, B. Gratz Brown of Missouri, James W. Nye of Nevada, Clark Fitch of New Hampshire, John Sherman of Ohio, James W. Nease of Oregon, Edgar Cooley of Pennsylvania, and Timothy O. Howe of Wisconsin. There are three vacancies to be filled—one in New Jersey and two in Vermont.

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THE AMERICAN COOKING STOVE.—Manufacturers will make improvements in their letters patent given date May 1, 1846, and will apply for a new patent, covering the arrangement of fitting a removable ash-pan in the bottom of a cooking stove, so as to facilitate the removal of ashes, as it passes down to the grate. All persons are cautioned against manufacturing or selling any stove which does not conform to the above patent, as it will be liable to suit for damages for infringement on the letters patent.

SHARPE, PARTRIDGE & CO., 157, 160 Broadway, Albany, N. Y. The American is for sale.

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